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STRIKING HELLO GIRLS EXPRESS THEIR OPINION

They Blame the New Chief Operator for the Recent Trouble in the Consolidated Telephone Company's Exchange Office.

General Manager Says One Girl Persuaded Others to Quit; the Girls Say She Did Not—Exchange is Running With New Operators Brought From Fairmont Salem and Weston.

The telephone operators who quit their positions at the central office of the Consolidated Telephone company Tuesday morning give their reason for doing so that they could not get along with the new chief operator, Miss Britton.

The young ladies say that Miss Britton was very unreasonable in her demands, and that she would exercise undue authority in ordering the operators about their duties. They say she would not even permit them to leave their switchboard to get a drink of water without first asking her permission. Miss Britton would try to individualize her position and establish strict rules for the operators to obey, the young ladies say, and the rules were very unreasonable. The young ladies think the new chief operator overstepped her authority.

According to the strikers' version, the strike of the day operators was brought about by one of the young ladies quitting her work, when Miss Britton attempted to disconnect her switchboard. The other operators thought Miss Britton's action in disconnecting the switchboard was very unreasonable and they quit their positions in sympathy with the other young lady.

The force of operators at the time of the strike consisted of six day operators, one relief operator, who was acting as day operator, three relief operators and two night operators. The day operators were Miss Grace Sandusky, Miss Swick, Miss Louise Markert, Miss Blanche Haymaker, Miss Clara Markert, Miss Chapman and Miss Johnson. The night operators were Misses Criss and Vincent, and the three relief operators Miss Ida Rector, Miss Margaret Haughey and Miss Bessie White.

All of the day operators excepting Miss Chapman, together with Miss Haughey, relief operator, walked out of the office, and for a day or so the Clarksburg system was nearly tied up. Efforts were made to have the young ladies come back to work, but they refused to do so as long as Miss Britton remained with the company.

The young lady who first quit her position denies emphatically that she induced the other operators to strike. She said she could not stand the treatment in the office and would quit, whereupon the other girls who had been in the office for some time walked out with her. The general manager claims that she persuaded some of the others not to return to work, and there you are.

There seems to have been trouble in the exchange office ever since Miss Britton was employed by the company a month ago. Miss Bessie Shuttleworth resigned her position as chief operator, and the company thought that there was no operator in the Clarksburg office that could successfully fill the position of chief operator, and secured the services of Miss Britton, of Rockville, Indiana, for that place.

The young ladies say it has always been the custom of the company to promote the operator who has been the longest in the company's service to the position of chief operator when there was a vacancy in that position. They are of the opinion that the operator who has been in the service long enough at the local exchange office is capable in every respect of filling the position of chief operator. They claim that the Fairmont office follows this custom.

On the other hand, the officers of the company did not think so, and they secured the services of Miss Britton.

Today there are twelve operators in the central office. Superintendent Barnes succeeded in procuring the services of operators from Fairmont, Salem and Weston. They arrived here Wednesday and began work at once. The exchange office is running full force and all calls are being answered the best they know. The new force numbers twelve, six being day operators, four relief operators and two night operators.

Miss Britton, the chief operator, refused to say anything for publication to the Telegram representative when he called upon her this morning. She expressed herself as being sorry that any trouble had occurred and hoped that everything would run smoothly and satisfactorily at the central office in the future.

DR. GOFF MAY RUN

FOR STATE SENATE FROM THIS DISTRICT, SAYS A DISPATCH PUBLISHED BY PARKERSBURG PAPER.

Surmise is That the United States Senatorship is Again to Be Associated With Judge Goff's Name.

The following dispatch from this place to the Parkersburg State Journal will set the political tongues to wagging:

"A matter that is receiving the attention of the politicians not only of this immediate section is the probable nomination of Dr. W. P. Goff, of this city, but the Republicans for the next state senate."

"Dr. Goff is a son of Judge Nathan Goff, of the United States circuit court, and on account of this fact, the mention of Dr. Goff's name in connection with the state senate leads to the surmise that his father may be a candidate for the United States senatorship to succeed Senator Scott. The announcement that he may be sent to the legislature from this district has created a sensation among certain politicians who fear the candidacy of Judge Goff, and it is stated that they are putting forth efforts to head off the doctor's entrance into active politics."

"Dr. Goff has not expressed an open desire to go to the state senate, but it is urged by his friends."

COUNTIES WILL HAVE WRITE-UP

In the Handbook Which Will Be Published by West Virginia World's Fair Commission.

A circular letter has been issued from the office of the West Virginia World's Fair Commission, which has been sent to the county courts in all of the counties of the state urging these bodies to take from one to three pages of a history of their respective counties in the West Virginia handbook, which will be distributed at the exposition at St. Louis in 1904. The book will deal principally with the history of the state, but will have a county department which will treat of counties individually where the county court subscribes for the space.

WILL LEASE WALDO HOTEL

Judge Goff Has no Intention of Assuming the Management Himself and says He Intends to Lease It.

A report is abroad that Judge Nathan Goff will assume the management of the Waldo hotel upon its completion, having some one to look after it personally. This is authentically denied, and the statement is made by Judge Goff that it is his intention to lease it to some good hotel man.

BIG ENGINES FOR SHORT LINE

The Wheeling division of the B. & O. is to be stocked with 28 engines of the twenty-two hundred class. The fifteen hundred class, that have been assisting between Cameron and Glover's Gap, will be put on the West Virginia Short Line, between New Martinsville and Clarksburg. Some of them will also be put on the Parkersburg branch. The twenty-eight hundred class will be used as helpers at Cameron.

WITNESSES GALORE TESTIFY

BEFORE THE GRAND JURY AS TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

CRIMINAL AND LAW DOCKET SET FOR FRIDAY, WHEN PETIT JURORS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ON HAND.

Pleasant Marshall, Colored, Will Be Placed on Trial for Felony.—O'Neil Case Continued Until the Next Term of Court.

The circuit court is running along at the usual gait. The time thus far has been devoted mostly to chancery causes, although a few law orders have been entered.

The criminal docket will be taken up tomorrow, when the petit jurors are expected to be on hand.

One of the first cases that will be tried will be that of Pleasant Marshall, colored, indicted for felonious assault on "Happy Hooligan." Prosecuting Attorney J. E. Law will conduct the prosecution and the prisoner will be defended by Attorney W. E. Morris.

The grand jury is hard at work, hearing the evidence of many witnesses, and will not complete its labors today. Thirty-four witnesses were sent before that body today. The door of the grand jury room presented an unusual spectacle. A crowd hung around it from morn till night to obtain admittance, but only one could go in at a time, and a great deal of patience was necessary on the part of those who had to await their turn.

A. L. Griggs was appointed committee of Rachel Brazell, adjudged a lunatic, giving bond of \$4,000.

In the chancery cause of the Clarksburg Wine and Liquor company against Silas Pittro, U. O. Pittro and others, the cause was dismissed as to Nancy and Alice Pittro; leave was given plaintiffs to file an amended bill, and the cause was remanded to rules.

The cause of T. M. Sullivan, Com., vs. Catherine Milley et al., was dismissed and dropped from the docket.

An order dismissing the cause of Charles W. Lynch against Ruth Davis et al. was entered.

Similar orders were entered in the causes of W. C. McKeenhan vs. C. W. Leggett; Solomon Swiger vs. B. T. Sandy, and E. U. Martin vs. C. P. Hood et al.

The law case of Frank Smith against the B. & O. Railroad company was dismissed.

A similar order was entered in the case of Fred Cole against the B. & O. Railroad company, the parties having come to an agreement.

In the case of Ernest Lipscomb against the Colonial Relief Fund association, the death of the plaintiff was suggested.

Clarence N. McElfresh, member of the Marion county bar, was admitted to practice in this court.

The case of William O'Neil, indicted for felony, was continued until the next term of court, an important witness for the defendant not being able to be present.

Indictments Returned.

Carey K. Weekly, misdemeanor, two cases.

Perry Strother, misdemeanor, two cases.

D. M. Morris, misdemeanor, two cases.

Albert Webb, misdemeanor, two cases.

William Talkington, misdemeanor, two cases.

Charles Olivera, misdemeanor, two cases.

Orville Dodd, misdemeanor, two cases.

Jesse H. Harbert and Guy Harbert, misdemeanor, two cases.

Adalaid Curtis, felony.

Judge Mason gave the grand jury special instructions Thursday morning on the slot machine question, it being reported that some are running in the city.

DEATH OF MRS. DAVIS

Mrs. Nancy Davis, wife of E. L. Davis, died at her home in the Reynolds addition Thursday morning at 4 o'clock, after a lingering illness with consumption.

The deceased was 49 years of age and is survived by her husband. She is the daughter of Mr. Abe Simms. Numerous friends will mourn her untimely demise.

The funeral will be held from the residence in the Reynolds addition Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The remains will be shipped to Simpson and burial will be in the family graveyard there.

OFFICERS HUNTING MITCHELL

EX-CONSTABLE OF CLARKSBURG WHO SHOT JOHN MILLER AT DEADFALL MONDAY NIGHT.

MAN WAS SHOT IN ATTACK UPON ALLEGED DISORDERLY HOUSE BY ORGANIZED MOB.

Deadfall People Ran Inmates Out and Totally Destroyed the House.—Injured Man is in Hospital and Will Recover.

The county officers of Wetzel county are still hunting for ex-Constable D. L. Mitchell, of Clarksburg, who shot and seriously wounded John Miller, a prominent resident of Deadfall, Wetzel county, in an attack by an organized mob upon an alleged disorderly house at that place last Monday.

The attack was made Monday night about midnight. The Mitchell place has place has been an offense to the residents for some time, and it was determined one day by the Deadfall people that the town should be rid of it. A vigilance committee was accordingly organized for the purpose. Miller, it is said, was one of the ringleaders.

When the mob approached the house admittance was denied, but the door was promptly kicked in and Miller started in first. A woman struck him across the face with the handle of a heavy whip, but a moment later two shots rang out and Miller fell to the floor. Dorsey Mitchell, it is said, had pushed the woman aside and fired the shots.

One bullet struck Miller in the shoulder, and the other in the lower part of the back. He was carried out and Mitchell managed to escape. The inmates of the house were warned to clear out of Deadfall under penalty of receiving coats of tar and feathers.

The mob then proceeded through the house, breaking open trunks and destroying the contents and smashing up the furniture. Later the house, which was a small frame affair, was pulled from the foundations and totally wrecked.

Miller, the wounded man, was taken to the Schenck hospital at New Martinsville, to receive treatment. Word at noon today from the hospital states that he is improving nicely and is on the road to recovery. Deadfall is a small oil town of about 800 inhabitants, between New Martinsville and Smithfield.

TEACHERS PASSING EXAMINATION

Number Twenty-Two Gentlemen and Twenty Ladies.—Last Examination This Year.

The last teachers' state uniform examination for this year is being held in the central high school building and the Central Commercial college. There are twenty-two gentlemen taking the examination and the number of ladies who are passing is twenty. They met Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in one of the rooms of the central high school building, but it was soon found that there was a crowded situation, and arrangements were made to use a room in the business college. A dozen of those passing were taken to that room in the afternoon. The examination will be concluded tomorrow afternoon, and the grading board at Charleston will pass upon the manuscripts later. County Superintendent L. W. Ogden and Examiners Otto W. Ladwig and Clyde Watson are in charge of the examination.

SASOCIATION WELL ATTENDED

Hundreds of Baptists Gather in Annual Meeting.—Sermon Preached by Rev. George Kinsey.

The Judson Baptist association in the Bethlehem church on Davison's run is largely attended today. The first day the crowd was rather small, there being but about 250 people in attendance, but the number is much larger today.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. George W. Kinsey, of Fairmont, and was one of eloquence and power, such as this divine frequently preaches.

Miss Mary Mobly, the immigrant missionary, delivered an address that was very much appreciated.

Among those who participated in the deliberations was Rev. L. E. Peters, representing the American Baptist Missionary society and the Journal and Messenger.

FACTORIES SOUGHT FOR CITY

THOMAS G. BRADY, THE PROMOTER, GOES TO WHEELING AND PITTSBURG AFTER GLASS AND STEEL INDUSTRIES.

CONFERENCES SATISFACTORY AND PROSPECTS FOR THEIR COMING HERE ARE FLATTERING, SAYS MR. BRADY.

Other Conferences to Be Held Shortly, at Which a Definite Decision Will Be Made in the Matter.

Thomas G. Brady has returned from Wheeling and Pittsburgh, where he was in conference with glass and steel concerns on propositions to locate industries here. The conferences were quite satisfactory to both sides and the prospects, Mr. Brady says, are flattering for securing two more splendid factories for Clarksburg. Arrangements have been made for another conference in a few days, probably one day next week, at which time the matter will be decided upon.

The proposed glass industry will manufacture crystal glass, such as fine table ware, and will prove a very valuable addition to the industrial circles of Clarksburg.

Such opportunities to increase the manufacturing interests of Clarksburg should not be allowed to escape. The citizens of this community should go after them good and hard. It may take the investment of home capital to some extent in some instances, but there should be no hesitancy in this respect.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS

For the Cashiership of the Proposed State Bank to Be Called the Farmers Bank.

There are several applications for the cashiership of the proposed Farmers bank. Among them are W. A. Rohrbaugh, of Glenville; Fred Wood, bookkeeper at the Traders National bank, this city; John F. Shore, cashier of the Middlebourne bank in Tyler county; Charles A. Furbee, cashier of the Farmers bank at Shinnston, and B. W. Boggess, of the Traders bank of this city.

PROMINENT OSTEOPATHS ARE HERE

President of the Kincaid College of Osteopathy at Minneapolis and His Wife Visit Clarksburg.

President David Lindsey Kincaid, president of the Kincaid college of Osteopathy, of Minneapolis, and his wife, Mrs. Clara Bissell Kincaid, who is editor of the Advanced Osteopath, a journal devoted to that profession and ably and elaborately edited, and who is one of the faculty, are in the city and have taken up headquarters at Mrs. Lyon's, 541 West Main street. The object of their visit here is to secure pupils for their college, which, since its opening last October has had gratifying success and is fast becoming a leading institution of its kind. It bids fair to become one of the strongest and best colleges of its kind in the country. They have letters of endorsement from many prominent people, and a number of these are published in the journal, showing that the institution commands a high estimation. Mr. Kincaid, as well as his wife, are very pleasant and cultured, and it is a pleasure to meet them. They are desirous of meeting all who are interested along this line and will gladly receive them at Mrs. Lyon's.

HICKMAO APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT

Of the Construction of the Brewery Building Clarksburg Brewery Company is Having Erected.

Charles L. Hickman, architect and builder, has been appointed superintendent of construction of the six-story brewery the Clarksburg Brewery company is having built. The selection is a good one, and Mr. Hickman's services will be of great benefit to the general contracting firm and the company. He returned last night from Pittsburgh, where he spent several days consulting with the company in reference to his duties and the plans of the structure.

BROADBODUS COLLEGE OPENS

REGULAR FALL TERM OF CLASSICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE BEGINS THURSDAY.

ENROLLMENT FIRST DAY IS AS LARGE AS THAT OF LAST YEAR AND WILL BE LARGER.

New Teachers Arrive and Begin Their Duties.—Students Enrolled and Assigned to Classes, Begin Their Winter's Schooling.

The regular fall term of Broadbodus Classical and Scientific Institute opened Thursday morning. The enrollment was about the same as that of last year, but the prospects for a larger matriculation than any preceding year are evidenced, as this is but the first day of the beginning of the fall term, and it is usually the case for many of the students to arrive on the second and third days.

The students were assigned to their classes and their studies outlined, after the enrollment. A short session of the different classes was held and then the studies were given up in order that other preparation attendant upon the beginning of the term be made.

Prof. A. J. Armstrong, of Louisville, Kentucky, who graduated from Wabash college, has been a graduate student of the University of Chicago, and who taught in the East Texas Baptist Institution last year, arrived Wednesday to take up his duties as principal of the boy's department. He takes Prof. A. O. Harlowe's place.

Miss Vollrath, of Bucyrus, Ohio, who has been engaged as the new vocal teacher, to take Mrs. Dr. Sloane's place, arrived Wednesday and commenced the duties of her new position Thursday.

Mrs. Alice Simmons, of Churchville, Lewis county, has also been engaged as one of the teachers. She arrived in the city Wednesday and has taken up her new duties.

Miss Daisy Shambagh, of Terryville, Ohio, is the new teacher in mathematics. With such an excellent faculty, a large enrollment and a good beginning, the coming year at Broadbodus college bids fair to be a banner year in its history.

OIL NOTES OF ALL SORTS

REPORTS SHOW MUCH ACTIVITY IN VARIOUS FIELDS IN THIS AND OTHER COUNTIES.

Haymond Well is Drilling in the Gordon Sand With Fluid Filling up the Hole.—Other Wells In.

In the Salem district, this county, the South Penn company's No. 17 on the L. Haymond farm is drilling in the Gordon and has filled up 2,500 feet with oil. West of Weston, Lewis county, in the vicinity of the Snyder Bros. farm, the Crude Oil company has made the location for a test on the Mary E. Lawson farm and Lloyd Rinehart has made the location for a test on the S. Tunstall farm. The first is 2,500 feet southwest and the last 2,000 feet northeast of the Snyder farm producer.

In the Folsom district the South Penn has drilled its No. 4 on the Paddy Lee farm into the stry sand and has a fair gasser.

In the same district No. 4 on the W. R. Hall farm has been drilled seven feet into the Gordon and produced 40 barrels the first eleven hours.

No. 2 on the Wesley Robinson farm has been drilled to the top of the Gordon and has developed a strong gas pressure.

David Talkington No. 4 is in the Gordon and produced 35 barrels the first twenty-four hours. No. 42 on the Gene Robinson farm has been completed and shot and is a 20-barrel pumper in the Gordon.

Credit balances, \$1,556; certificates, no bid. Shipments, 63,177 barrels; average, \$5,472 barrels. Runs, 99,804 barrels; average, 69,589 barrels. Shipments (Lima), 77,854 barrels; average, 64,220 barrels. Runs (Lima), 57,247 barrels; average 33,769 barrels.

INFANT BARY DIES

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John Watson, who live on the Weston road near this city, died Thursday morning at 5 o'clock. The funeral occurred from the home Thursday afternoon and burial was made in the Leebart cemetery.